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INFORMAL MINUTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTOR AND CONSULTANTS,  
INTERDEPARTMENTAL FOREIGN INFORMATION ORGANIZATION, ON  
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, at 4:00 p.m. in OFFICE OF DIRECTOR

PRESENT: Department of State: Mr. Barrett, Director  
Mr. Stone, Executive Secretary  
Mr. Bohlen  
Mr. Phillips  
Mr. Hulten  
Mr. Fisher  
Department of Defense: General Magruder  
Joint Chiefs of Staff: Admiral Stevens  
Department of the Army: General McClure  
Central Intelligence Agency: Mr. Wisner  
National Security Resources Board: Mr. Sheppard  
Economic Cooperation Administration: Mr. Berding

At Mr. Barrett's request, item II on the agenda --  
Emergency Plan for Psychological Offensive against the USSR --  
was taken up first, with general discussion on both organizational  
and content sections of the Plan.

With respect to organization, questions were raised  
regarding the recommended assignment of action responsibilities  
for execution of the Plan, particularly the distribution of  
planning papers within the Government and the advisability  
of including reference to covert activities in papers given  
wide distribution. It was agreed that recommended procedures  
will be considered more fully at the next meeting.

With respect to content sections of the Plan, general  
comment and suggestions were directed to the statement of  
psychological objectives, tasks and themes. It was agreed  
that as a rule plans in this category need not be held up  
until "perfection" had been achieved, but that they could  
be approved subject to continuing review. Mr. Barrett asked  
that detailed comments be submitted in writing if possible  
before the next meeting. It was agreed to schedule a special  
meeting for the consideration of the Russian Plan on Friday,  
January 12 at 2:30.

With regard to the China Plan -- item I on the agenda --  
Mr. McCracken Fisher, steering member of the working group,  
asked for comments and advice on the scope of the Plan. After  
brief discussion, it was agreed that Mr. Fisher would circulate  
a paper raising further specific questions and that the first  
fifteen minutes of the special meeting on Friday would be  
devoted to the China Plan.

Mr. Barrett reported that he had discussed "Project  
Brainwave" with the other interested agencies and that he  
would make a progress report at the next regular meeting.

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